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# Magical Pokémon Journey

## A Party with Pikachu

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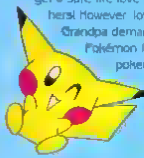
***Magical Pokémon Journey*** is very much a [illegible] cuteness and flowers (well, it is!). I'm not [illegible] you appreciate *shojo* manga, you probably [illegible] could make Pikachu any cuter than it already is.
—GameFan

**Pokémon**

**POKÉMON** is a breakthrough in children's entertainment—the world is beloved by both boys and girls. Now, see Pokémon as you have never seen them before in *shojo* (girls') comic artist Yumi Tsukirino takes on the Pokémon world and centers it around her cute and peppy main character Hazel. Come see a timid Clefairy and a self-centered Jigglypuff in one of the most off-beat Pokémon adventures you will ever read!

***Pokémon and Love Potions***

Hazel has fallen desperately in love with the handsome Pokémon trainer Almond. But he doesn't even notice her, so she goes to Grandpa, an old wizard and Pokémon researcher, to get a sure-fire love potion that will make Almond hers! However, love potions come with a price, and Grandpa demands that Hazel go out and capture Pokémon for him. Hazel doesn't know a Pokémon from a poker chip, but for the love of Almond, Hazel is willing to do anything! It's not until she discovers the feisty and cute Pikachu that Hazel begins to understand the magic and charm that makes Almond so enthusiastic about these wonderful creatures.



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"If you dig Sailor Moon, you'll go ga ga for this."
—Pojo's Unofficial Pokemon Collector

"It seems Pokemon has accomplished what American publishers have been unable, or unwilling, to do for decades, inspire kids to read comics."
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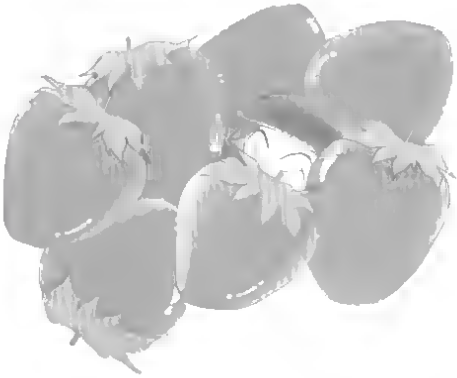

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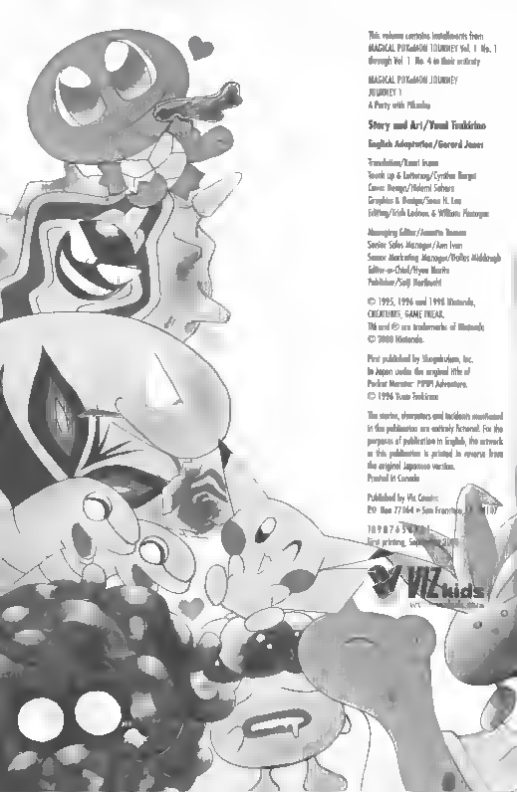

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# HOW DO YOU DO, PIKACHU?™

POING
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
ALLLL-MONEY LOOKIE LOOKIE!
I MADE THIS WHOLE CAKE, JUST FOR YOU!
C'MON! EAT! EAT!
...YOU BETTER NOT'VE PUT ANYTHING IN IT THIS TIME...
ME?! OH, MUCH!
PIKA?
YAWN

BUH-WHOOOM
WELCOME TO FOKÉ-WORLD
TROT
TROT
TROT
TROT
GRANDPA!
GEH
GLOOM

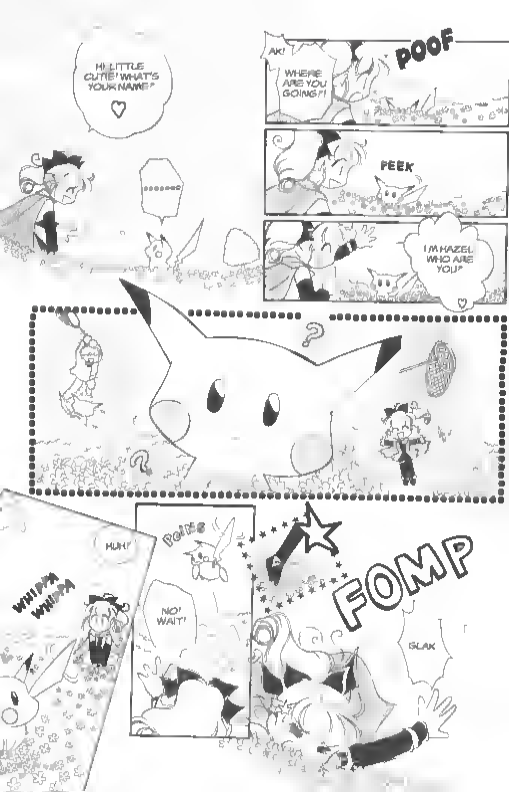
WELCOME TO THE DARK CASTLE.
PING
PANEL!
NAZEL! E-HEHHEH! HOW'D THAT MEDICINE WORK?
WHAT DO YOU THINK, YOU FEEWEE FROLY FOR A MAD SCIENTIST YOU?!
THAT "LOVE POTION" OF YOURS EXPLODED!
AND YOU CAN IMAGINE THAT ALMOND ISN'T EXACTLY IN LOVE WITH ME RIGHT NOW!

SO IT FAILED, EH? JUST AS FEARED
JUST AS YOU FEARED?! YOU COULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT WHEN YOU CHARGED ME 300 SMACKERS?
OR WAS IT 350?
_HAZEL_
WHAT?!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO COLLECT POKÉMON?
P-P-POKÉMON?!
YOU MEAN THOSE THINGS ALMOND LOVES?!
WHAT, YOU ASK, IS A POKÉMON?
AH! A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO ENLIGHTEN MY MILLIONS OF FANS across THE WORLD!
THERE ARE MORE THAN 150 KINDS OF WILD POKÉMON IN THE FORESTS AND SEAS, EACH WITH AMAZING POWERS!
OOOO
SEE
KIDS WHO CAPTURE AND TRAIN POKÉMON BECOME HEROES IN THEIR HOMETOWNS!!
HO-HO-HO
I'D LIKE TO INVEST JUST
LIKE THIS
?
!!

MY INTENSIVE RESEARCH IS NEARING COMPLETION! MY LONG YEARS OF TOIL ARE FINALLY BEARING FRUIT! ACCORDING TO MY FINDINGS, THE EVOLUTION PROGRESS OF POKÉMON IS THE KEY TO THE FUTURE OF MANKIND! IF I'VE CORRECTLY CALCULATED THE ENERGY REQUIRED, THEN THE HYPOTHETICAL EFFECT ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WOULD—
OH, GIVE ME A BREAK. YOU JUST WANT GIRLS TO THINK YOU'RE COOL
WHILE YOU'RE AT THE MOVIES
DING DING
WHEN
BUT GETTING BACK TO MY ORIGINAL POINT—YOU WANNA CATCH POKÉMON?
NO WAY
IT'S TOO MUCH WORK!
HMPH
WON'T YOU GRANT AN OLD MAN HIS LAST WISH?
I COULD REST EASY IF ONLY YOU'D SAY...
FOR GET IT.
SIGH... UNDERSTAND ..... IT'S ONLY TOO BAD I HAVE TO WASTE THIS.....
AFTER HOURS OF WORKING OUT THE PROBLEMS IN MY FORMULA, I'D SO LOOK FORWARD TO GIVING IT TO THE CHILD WHO WOULD GRANT MY FINAL WISH...
TA-DAAA
IMPROVE!!
LOVE POTION

SO WHERE DO I FIND THESE POKÉMON?!
I KNEW YOU'D COME THROUGH FOR ME!
AND BY THE WAY THIS IS FOR YOU
OKAY, LOOKS LIKE I'VE GOT POKÉMON! YOU'RE MINE!
AND SO...
I LIKE ALOLA BUT HE LIKES PIKACHU!
PRETTY SURE HELL LIKE ME TOO
MY LOVE PETTY IS AT THE MOON LA LA LAAAA
LA LA LA

RUSTLE
HUH?
POING
WHAT IS THAT?!!
IT'S
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
IT'S SO
LICK
LICK
LICK
SKRITCH
SKRITCH
-CUUUUTE-


HI LITTLE CUTIE! WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
AK!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!
POOF
PEEK
I'M HAZEL. WHO ARE YOU?
HUH?
WHIPPA WHIPPA
Pokke
NO! WAIT!
FOMP
GLAK

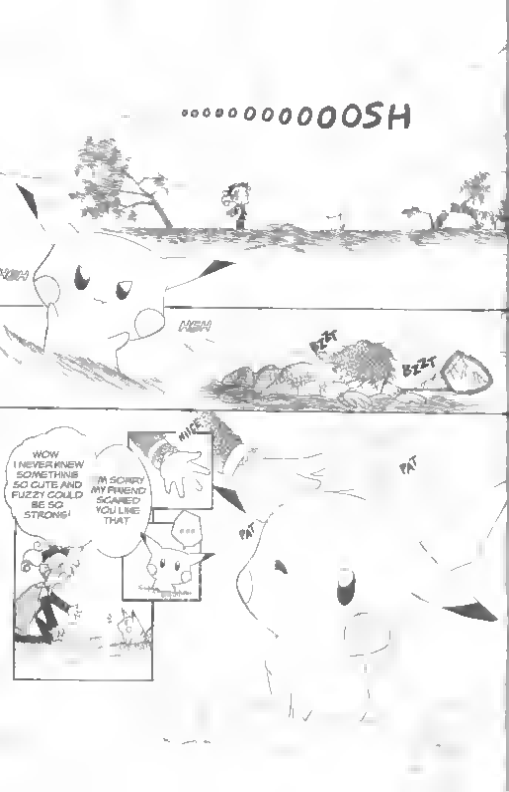
OOO THAT HURT...
TIP
TIP
PIKAAA?
OHHH! WERE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME?
ZIP
DON'T YOU LIKE ME?
GRRR

W-WAIT!
WHAT HAPPENED?
IT'S GONE...
RUSTLE
GEP!
HEL
HI, YEEEE, ALMOND
POP
SYAAAA!! HAZEL, WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE?!
I'M SOOO SORRY ABOUT BLOWING YOU UP.
FWAP!
FWAP!
AAAUGH!
FWAP!
FWAP
SKWAK!

NOW LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE, YOU SCARED SPEAROW AWAY!
HEY, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SCREAMED!
WHAT'RE YOU WEARING ANYWAY?
GRANDPA GAVE IT TO ME
PEEKED THAT WAS CLOSE
YOU SAW A POKÉMON?
I GUESS SO! I NEVER SAW ONE BEFORE!
FINALLY WE CAN SEE WHAT THIS ALMOND LOOKS LIKE
IT WAS SOOOOOO CUTE!
CAN YOU BE MORE SPECIFIC
PANTCH
SURE I CAN...
IT WAS KINDA LIKE... THIS!
PAWN
?
?

PIKACHU!
THE MOST POPULAR POKÉMON OF ALL!!
IT'S MINE!!!
PIKACHU!
PI?
PI?
PI?
B-BOING
"I'M SUPPOSED TO RECOGNIZE IT FROM THAT?"
WELL, IT'S YELLOW...
WAAA
IT'S BACK ♡

NOOO----!
HAZEL, WHADDYO THINK YOU'RE DOING?
YOU'LL SCARE THE POOR THING
WAGGA
PI-KAAA!
EEEK
!!!!!


...OOOOOOOOOSH
NYAH!
NYAH!
BZZT
BZZT
WOW I NEVER KNEW SOMETHING SO CUTE AND FUZZY COULD BE SO STRONG!
I'M SORRY MY FRIEND SCARED YOU LIKE THAT
NICE
PAT
PAT

LET'S TRY THIS AGAIN
MY NAME'S HAZEL
CHUUU
NICE TO MEET YOU PIKACHU
OHHHH, WHA HOPPEN ?
YOU WERE A BIG STUPID DUMMY THAT'S WHAT
WAIT A MINUTE...WHY DIDN'T I GET SHOCKED?
PIKAAA
BECAUSE OF THE PROTECTIVE SUIT THAT I'M IN BY SERIOUS CREATTO
SO YOU CAUGHT A PIKACHU ALREADY EH? ATTA GIRL